

**Summary of the decisions taken at the meeting
of the Executive held on 4 July 2011**

1. Date of publication of this summary:-

5 July 2011

2. Decisions (if any) taken as a matter of urgency under Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rule 16 (and not therefore subject to the call-in procedure):-

None

3. Date by which notice of call-in of any of the following decisions must be received in writing by the Chief Executive (see notes below):-

Noon on Friday 8 July 2011

4. Notes:-

- (a) For background documentation to the following decisions, please refer to the agenda and supporting papers (copies of which are available on the Council's website (www.cherwell.gov.uk) or from Democratic Services);
- (b) Notice of call-in must be submitted in writing, by email or text to the Chief Executive by the deadline specified above, and must state the reason or reasons why "call-in" has been requested;
- (c) Call-in can be requested by any six non-executive members of the Council.
- However, if at any point during a municipal year the total number of opposition councillors is six or less the total number of non-executive members required to call-in a decision shall be the total number of opposition councillors less two.
- (d) Decisions not called-in by the deadline specified above will become effective immediately the deadline has expired (unless they are recommendations to the Council).
- (e) The Council has stipulated that the call-in procedure should not be used to challenge decisions as a matter of course and should be used only when fully justified.

**Sue Smith
Chief Executive**

Decisions

Agenda Item No.	Agenda Item and Recommendations	Decision
5	<p>Response to Department for Transport Consultation on High Speed Rail</p> <p>Recommendations</p> <p>The Executive is recommended:</p> <p>(1) To agree that the Council should make representations in response to Consultation questions 1-3 objecting to the national high speed rail strategy in general accordance with the comments expressed in Section 3 of this report , those made by the “51M” group to the Transport Select Committee, and subject to the agreement of the Lead Member for Planning, in accordance with the “51M “ group’s further comments on this matter</p> <p>(2) To agree that the Council should make representations in response to Consultation questions 4-6 expressing severe concerns about the paucity of information and concerns about several details of the scheme as consulted upon in general accordance with the comments contained in sections 4-6 of this report, and subject to the agreement of the Lead Member for Planning in accordance with any further representations made on behalf of “51M” as a critique of the Appraisal of Sustainability</p> <p>(3) To agree that the Council should make representations in respect of Consultation question 7 in accordance with the comments in Section 4.33-4.34 of this report</p> <p>(4) To delegate to the Strategic Director of Planning Housing and Economy , in consultation with the Lead Member for Planning, the final wording of the consultation responses to be made in general accordance with</p>	<p>Approved, with the additional resolution that the Development Control Team Leader be requested to liaise with Bernie Douglas, Chairman of VoxOpp, to circulate the report to villages affected by the HS2 proposals.</p>

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	recommendations 1-3 above	
6	<p>Armed Forces Community Covenant</p> <p>Recommendations</p> <p>The Executive is recommended:</p> <p>1) To note the importance of the Armed Forces Community Covenant and request that officers work across all Council services to ensure there are clear plans in place to deliver the aspirations of the Covenant.</p>	Approved
7	<p>Horton General Hospital and Health Sector Changes</p> <p>Recommendations</p> <p>The Executive is recommended:</p> <p>(1) To note the good progress in implementing sustainable service delivery models at the Horton General Hospital.</p> <p>(2) To urge the Oxford Radcliffe Hospitals Trust to implement as soon as possible the revised model for maternity and gynaecology.</p> <p>(3) To support the establishment of a Community Partnership Network with membership drawn from local health and social care service commissioners and providers plus relevant stakeholders.</p>	Approved, with the additional resolution that officers be requested to submit a progress report on the Bicester Community Hospital to the September or October meeting of Executive.
8	<p>Value for Money Review of Economic Development</p> <p>Recommendations</p> <p>The Executive is recommended:</p> <p>(1) To note that the Value for Money</p>	Approved

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	<p>Review concludes that Economic Development Service is a top performer, making a real difference to Cherwell's businesses and residents affected by the downturn.</p> <p>(2) To adopt the Economic Development Service Vision to 2016 which sets out a forward looking framework, drawing on the Council's contribution to the emerging Economic Development Strategy.</p> <p>(3) To accept gross savings of £35,000 with immediate effect, as a contribution towards the Council delivering its Medium Term Financial Strategy, recognising this reduces the flexibility of the service to undertake economic development activity in the future.</p>	
9	<p>2010/2011 End of Year Finance and Medium Term Financial Strategy Update Report</p> <p>Recommendations</p> <p>The Executive is recommended:</p> <p>(1) To note the provisional revenue out-turn position for 2010/2011 detailed in Appendix 1.</p> <p>(2) To note the continued improvement in accuracy and reliability that the Council has made in projecting the year end position through the embedding of the Corporate Dashboard.</p> <p>(3) To note the provisional capital out-turn position for 2010/2011 detailed in Appendix 2a.</p> <p>(4) To agree the balances on capital schemes which have slipped in 2010/2011 to be carried forward into the 2011/2012 capital programme as set out in Appendix</p>	Approved

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	<p>2b</p> <p>(5) To note progress against the Councils Procurement Action plan – Appendix 3 and savings achieved Appendix 4.</p> <p>(6) To note the Medium Term Financial Strategy Update.</p>	
<p>10</p>	<p>Performance Management Framework 2010/2011 End of Year Performance Report</p> <p>Recommendations</p> <p>The Executive is recommended:</p> <p>(1) To note that, despite tough performance targets and a challenging economic environment, the Council has met or made satisfactory progress on 97% of the performance targets in the Corporate Scorecard (the basket of priority measures) and met or made satisfactory progress on 95% of the performance targets in the Corporate Plan which sets out activities and targets under each of the Council's four strategic priorities.</p> <p>(2) To note that the Council has delivered a challenging programme of improvement projects and value for money reviews. Of the 22 projects and reviews scheduled for 2010/11 21 were completed with good or satisfactory outcomes and only 1 delayed due a changing government policy. The improvement programme has directly contributed to the delivery of savings and efficiencies to balance the Council's budget.</p> <p>(3) To note the progress in delivering the Council's strategic objectives and the many achievements referred to in paragraphs 1.4 and 1.5</p>	<p>Approved, with the additional resolution that officers be requested to produce a one page summary of the performance highlights for circulation to all Members.</p>

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	(4) To request an update on the issues highlighted in paragraph 1.6 in the first quarter report of 2011/12.	
13	Value for Money Review of Tourism Exempt report.	Recommendations approved as set out in the exempt report.